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Applicant: Erick B. KNEZEK et al.
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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and MPEP § 708.02 XI.

The Applicants respectfully request that their application be accorded "special" status because it is directed to a system for countering terrorism, in particular, waterborne terrorist acts due to high speed boats or other types of watercraft attempting to penetrate a particular region in a body of water or abutting a body of water. The present invention provides a protection barrier system for countering such terrorist acts.

Statements under 37 C.F.R. 1.102 accompany this petition.

A fee is required for consideration of this petition, and is included with in the new application filing fees.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even

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Respectfully submitted,

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